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War enters sixth day

Chinese press home attack

BANGKOK, Feb. 23 (Agencies) — Heavy fighting was reported raging in Northern Vietnam Friday amid mounting world concern about the six-day-old border war between China and Vietnam.

White China stayed silent about its "limited" offensive, Hanoi correspondents of the Japanese Communist Party newspaper "Akahata" said some 10 Chinese divisions were pitted against Vietnamese forces.

They said about 12,500 Chinese soldiers had been killed or wounded in five of the six Vietnamese provinces bordering China, and 138 Chinese tanks and 26 other military vehicles had been destroyed.

The pro-Vietnam "Akahata" gave no Vietnamese casualty figures.

The Vietnam news agency said Friday the Chinese had

been forced to dig in along much of the border and await reinforcements after suffering heavy losses. Radio Hanoi says that 12,000 Chinese troops have been knocked out in the fighting so far.

A major battle appeared to be shaping up in Vietnam's northeastern border area near the strategic town of Lang Son, informed sources said in Bangkok. They said artillery duels and skirmishing had started and "it seems both sides are moving to engage."

The Chinese move toward Lang Son through the Friendship Pass appears to be one of the main Chinese thrusts of the war. They have also launched a drive around the town of Cao Bang about 18 miles (30 km) from the border, where heavy fighting has been reported.

The Bangkok sources said they thought the Chinese had

captured Cao Bang. "Akahata" correspondents said the Chinese had two divisions in Cao Bang province and heavy fighting was going on throughout the region.

Chinese troops have also been reported moving down the Red River Valley from the northwestern town of Lao Cai. An "Akahata" journalist reported Thursday that Chinese troops had moved south of the town after capturing it. The continuing war in Northern Vietnam, with no sign of a Chinese withdrawal, has increased tension on the Sino-Soviet border. Both the Soviet Union and China were making military preparations along their common border, intelligence sources said in Tokyo Friday.

They said there were increased military movements by roads and rail on either side of the 7,000 kilometer border. Radio traffic and reconnaissance flights also were reported to have been stepped up.

The Soviet Union signed a friendship treaty with Vietnam last November, and there were growing fears Friday that a prolonged border war could force Moscow into active involvement.

In the meantime, President Carter decided to send Chinese leaders a personal message expressing U.S. concern. It was being taken to Peking Friday by Treasury Secretary Michael Blumenthal, who is starting an 11-day trade mission to China. U.S. officials in Washington said that Blumenthal might meet Chinese Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-ping.

At the United Nations, the Security Council held a brief private meeting on the Indo-China crisis Thursday night and was to hold a further private session later Friday. A public debate was expected to follow.

Meanwhile, the Soviet embassy in Peking has canceled its annual army and navy day reception which was to have been held Friday.

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KHALED IN RIYADH: King Khaled returned to Riyadh Friday evening after a visit to the Eastern Province. He was met at the airport by Prince Bandar ibn Abdul Aziz, Deputy Governor of Riyadh, Prince Satam and prince, cabinet ministers, senior officials and high-ranking officers. The King was accompanied by Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan and Minister of Public Works and Housing Prince Mithib.

Scholars to receive King Faisal awards

RIYADH, Feb. 23 (SPA) — King Khaled will confer the King Faisal awards in a special ceremony to be held for the first time next Wednesday.

According to Prince Khaled Al-Faisal, director general of King Faisal Philanthropic Foundation, Abdul A'ala Al-Maudoodi of Pakistan will be awarded the King Faisal International Prize for Service to Islam for his efforts in the service of the faith.

The prize for Islamic Studies will go to Dr. Fouad Sizzik of Turkey, in recognition of his scholarly work on Islam contained in five volumes under the title "The History of Arab Heritage."

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Saudi envoy asks Zia to spare Bhutto's life

ISLAMABAD, Feb. 23 (R) — Saudi Arabia has joined mounting Arab pressure on Pakistan's ruler to spare the life of ex-Premier Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, its ambassador said Friday.

Bhutto is under sentence of execution for ordering the assassination of a political opponent.

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Gen. Zia ul Haq has always said requests for clemency for Bhutto from foreign states would not influence his final decision.

But diplomats said he may find it harder to ignore the appeal from Saudi Arabia. (Continued on back page)

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In Switzerland

Freezing Shah's assets requested

BERN, Switzerland, Feb. 23 (AP) — The revolutionary Iranian government Friday asked Swiss authorities to freeze all assets held in Switzerland by the Shah and his family, the foreign ministry said.

Erwin Bischof, spokesman to the ministry, said the request was made in a brief official Iranian communication which said all the property of the Shah and his family has been nationalized.

At the same time, foreign correspondents in Switzerland were handed a statement attributed to the new Iranian justice minister, Assadolah Mobasher, which announced the revolutionary government would "soon undertake legal steps aimed at repatriation of all Iranian national wealth that has been transferred abroad."

The statement claimed that in the past few months before he was toppled, funds transferred by the Shah abroad totalled \$15 billion. The Shah's twin-sister, Princess Ashraf, and a group of associates each transferred three billion dollars. it

may have in Switzerland. The only identifiable piece of imperial property is the spacious villa, Suvretta, near St. Moritz which he bought in 1967 for his skiing vacation.

He has not been there since 1975 when Swiss authorities advised they could not fully guarantee his protection against terrorist attacks. Recent rumors had it that the villa was up for sale for 5 million francs, about \$3 million. Princess Ashraf owns an apartment in a luxurious Geneva condominium.

Swiss banking sources said that any Iranian action to get hold of the Shah's assets was sure to start a drawn out process. A freeze would require a court order and Swiss courts are likely to be reluctant in a case which has strong political overtones even though the new leadership charges that common law offenses are involved. Also, there is no judicial assistance treaty between the two countries to facilitate matters.

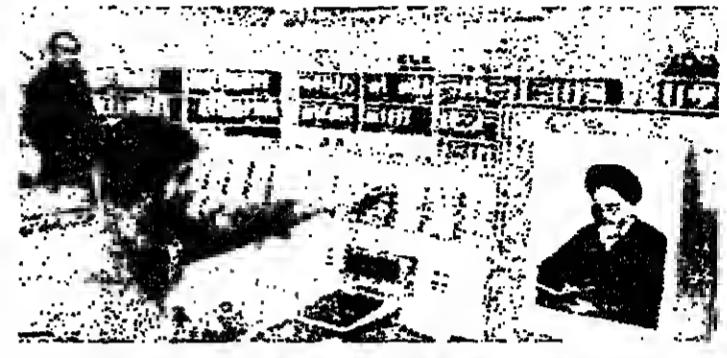
A precedent dates back to 1974 following the overthrow of another monarch, Ethiopia's Emperor Haile Selassie. The Kuwai

te newspaper "Al-Qabas" had earlier reported that a high-level Saudi delegation will shortly visit South Yemen for talks.

There was no immediate official comment here but sources said the federal government has no legal authority to order a freeze. They said the government was likely to advise the Iranians that if there is evidence of crime they would have to seek court action in each Swiss Canton or state where the funds are being held.

Up to now, there has not even been speculation over the size of the assets the Shah

Tehran leftist rally challenges Khomeini



A portrait of Ayatollah Khomeini at an oil refinery which resumed production recently.

persons — called for "Unity under the Fedayeen" and demanded that all American military advisors be expelled from Iran.

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Unnamed speakers harangued the crowd — consisting mostly of youth — with anti-imperialist rhetoric and a call to Khomeini to permit freedom of speech and public gatherings. It was a reference to Khomeini's banning of a Fedayeen procession on Thursday for fear it might erupt into a bloody confrontation with Khomeini's supporters.

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Only a handful of American military advisors remain in the country after their numbers reached about 2,500 at the height of Iran's military hardware procurement program.

Fedayeen cadres directed the milling crowd while youths chanted revolutionary slogans and songs as light chilly rain fell.

Members of the Fedayeen told newsmen their party is an independent, nationalist Marxist movement and is not affiliated with the Moscow-oriented Iranian Tudeh Communist party. Khomeini, leader of Iran's 32 million Muslims, has called on the religious faithful to ignore both the Tudeh Com-

A member of Khomeini's People's Militia said by phone from Marivan that "no disturbances took place in the city Friday."

The Marxist group wants Khomeini to return lands to the farmers, grant free electricity to rural areas and offer interest free loans to peasants.

The Fedayeen played a prominent role in ousting the 59-year-old Shah and have coaxed Khomeini to permit the support of most Iranians while they have the backing of many members of the working class. What they are deeply concerned over is Khomeini's subduing them in the aftermath of victory and seek to play a more decisive role in forming a new Irania society based on Marxist principles.

Banners at the rally — attended by an estimated 100,000

Yasser Arafat, who left later in the day for Damascus, arrived here Thursday after a week's visit to Iran. He spent more than two hours conferring with Sheikh Zayed, to whom he conveyed Khomeini's pledge, the sources said.

The report pledge led to speculation here that Iran might withdraw its troops from three islands in the strategic Straits of Hormuz, which it seized in 1971, just before the war was established.

The three islands, the Greater and Lesser Tumbs and Abu Musa, are smack in the middle of the entrance to the Gulf.

Kaddoumi meets Italian foreign aide in Rome

ALGIERS, Feb. 23 (AP) — The Algerian government has denied reports that President Benjedid Chadi and King Hassan II of Morocco will meet to attempt to work out a solution to the war over the former Spanish Sahara.

The official Algerian news agency, in a dispatch late Thursday, said France's ambassador to Algiers was called to the foreign ministry Thursday to clarify a statement by a French official that such a meeting was being planned.

Olivier Stern, France's secretary of state for foreign affairs, told reporters Tuesday that a meeting between Chadi and King Hassan "is probable," but gave no indication of when or where it might take place.

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A possible renegotiation of agreements might also enrich the Emirate of Sharjah, one of the poorest in resources in the federation.

Sharjah and Iran are splitting the approximately \$80 million of annual income derived from the oil produced on Abu Musa.

Before leaving Abu Dhabi for Kuwait, Arafat said the events in Iran had hastened United States plans to impose a peace settlement between Egypt and Israel.

Farouk Kaddoumi

East crisis. Kaddoumi arrived in Rome on Wednesday from Paris where he had met Jean Francois Poncet, the French foreign minister.

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Equipment triples

Food up, cars down in 1978 imports

RIYADH, Feb. 23 (SPA)—Food imported through Saudi ports jumped 57 per cent in 1978 over the year before while imports of motor vehicles declined by three per cent, according to import figures released here Friday by the Saudi Ports Authority.

Food discharged at Jeddah, Dammam, Jubail, Yanbu and Jizan ports totalled 4,988,451 tons last year—1,814,927 tons or 57 per cent over 1977. The foodstuffs were mainly rice, wheat, sugar, maize, barley, cooking oil, tea, milk and frozen food.

According to the figures, motor vehicles imported in 1978 were 349,826 units or three per cent down on the 362,373 units of 1977.

The most dramatic increase was in equipment, totalling 3,044,112 tons or an increase of about 205 per cent (2,048,192 tons) over 1977 imports.

Construction material im-

ports also continued to rise, with a total of 13,796,325 tons—18 per cent or 2,080,165 tons up on 1977.

General commodities showed a seven per cent increase with 8,165,404 tons up \$20,216 tons on 1977. Livestock im-

ports also rose with a 54 per cent increase in sheep imports (2,532,559 head) against 1,649,083 head) and a 22 per cent increase in cattle (93,484 head against 76,656 head).

Only camels showed a decline. Last year saw imports down 28 per cent from 36,150 tons to 25,794 head.

Out of total imports of 35,080,493 tons, Jeddah accounted for the lion's share of 19,399,744 tons; Dammam for 12,967,983 tons; Jubail for 1,010,438 tons; Yanbu for 960,265 tons and Jizan for 742,053 tons.

In dispute over SR 200

Man beheaded for knife-slaying

RIYADH, Feb. 23—A Saudi man was executed here Friday in retribution for a murder he confessed to committing two years ago, in a dispute over money, the Riyadh Governorate said.

The governorate said that Saad ibn Salem Al-Zhal Al-Qahtani was beheaded in Justice Square here after confessing to the murder of Abdul

Aziz Abdullah Al-Zahrani during a quarrel over SR 200.

According to Qahtani's confession, Zahrani came to him on the night of 28 Ramadan 1977 demanding he pay to balance SR 200 left out of a debt of SR 500.

Qahtani claimed he had paid back the whole sum. In the fight that ensued, Qahtani said he grabbed a kitchen knife and stabbed Zahrani in the chest.

According to the governorate announcement, Qahtani locked the corpse in the room and vanished.

On the basis of the confession, the Supreme Court here

passed a sentence of Qisas (equal retribution). After approval by royal order, the sentence was carried out after the Friday prayer.

7 offer kidneys to woman ill in Riyadh hospital

JEDDAH, Feb. 23—Seven persons of various nationalities have said they are ready to donate a kidney to save the life of a mother of five, "Okaz" reported Friday. The woman has offered a SR20,000 reward.

Three Saudis, two from Jeddah and one from Taif, two Egyptians, one Yemeni and one Lebanese have volunteered, "Okaz" said.

Aisha Al-Shabani is being treated at a Hospital in Riyadh and can be contacted at the Riyadh telephone number 83610 and the Jeddah numbers 73400 and 46596.

"Okaz" recently reported that a Malaysian youth has offered to donate a kidney to help a Saudi languishing in a London hospital. The Malaysian has refused any compensation.

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Jeddah chamber to hold Taiwan fair, March 1-5

JEDDAH, Feb. 23 A Republic of China trade fair will open here on March 1, and will last until March 5, according to C.H. Chang, who will be director of the fair at the Jeddah Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

The exhibits by 43 Taiwanese manufacturers and exporters will comprise textiles and garments, canned products, machinery and machine tools, building materials and hardware, electrical appliances and electronic products, plastic and rubber, wood products and furniture, transport equipment and spare parts.

There will also be 120 reproductions of famous Chinese porcelain ware and sculptures. These will not be for sale.

Last year, Taiwan exported nearly \$1 billion worth of goods and services to Saudi Arabia, an increase of 50 per cent over the previous year. It imported nearly twice as much again in petroleum products. The fair, sponsored by the

VASE: A Chinese vase made during the Ming dynasty (14th-17th centuries). Reproductions of 120 pieces will be on show at the China trade fair next month.

China External Trade Development Council, will be the third of its kind held in Saudi Arabia.

—Parouk Luqman

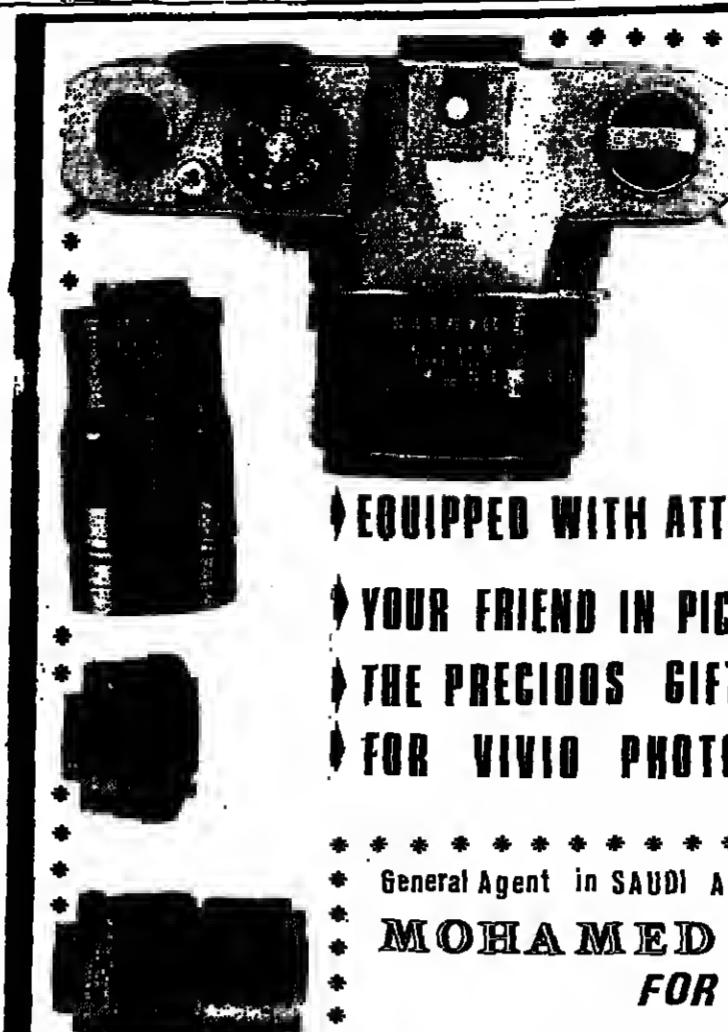
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Ahsa suq area to get color TV monitors

AHSAA, Feb. 23—A closed-circuit color television system is to be installed in the Suq here to monitor both commercial dealings and traffic flow, "Al-Jazirah" reported Friday.

A local police spokesman said that allocations will be made in the forthcoming budget for the closed-circuit TV network.

Police units will also be detached to supervise the entrances of girls' schools,



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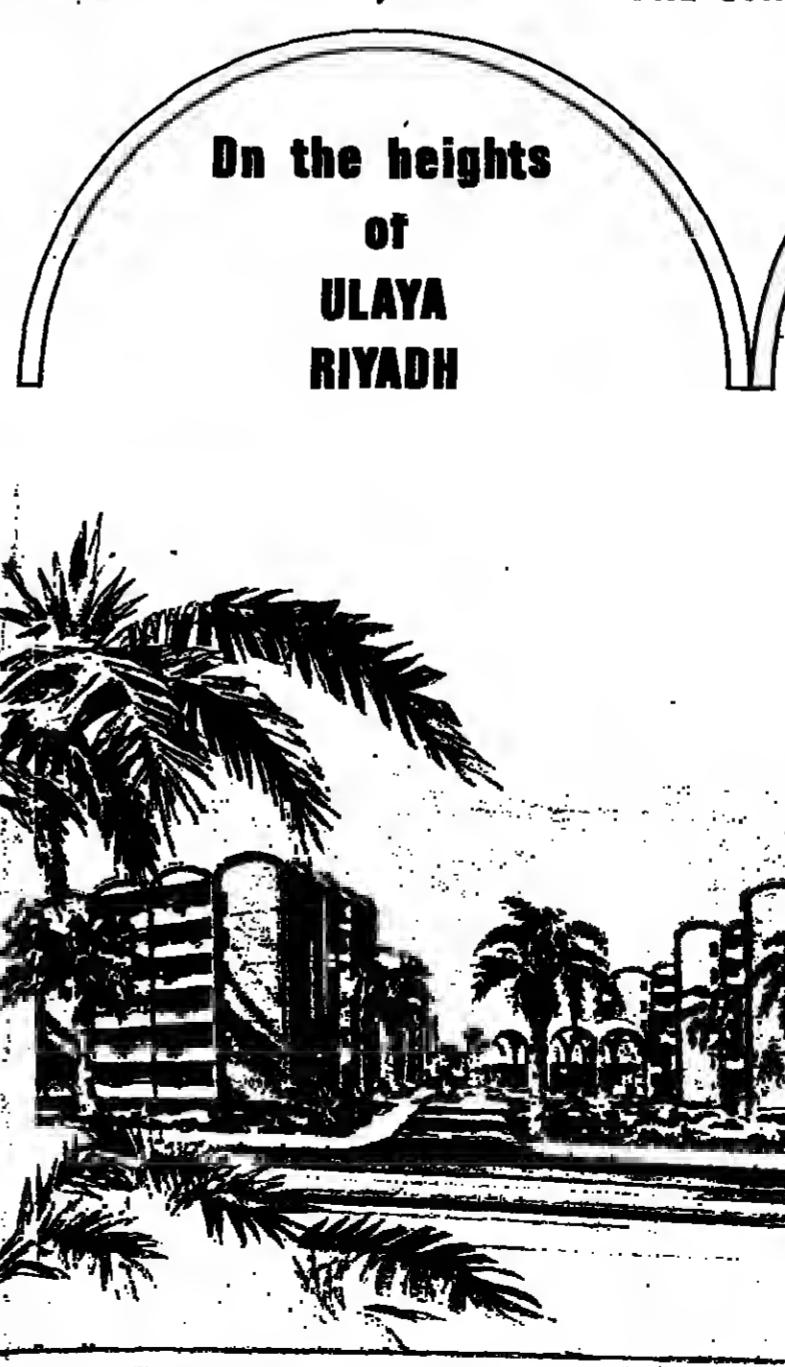
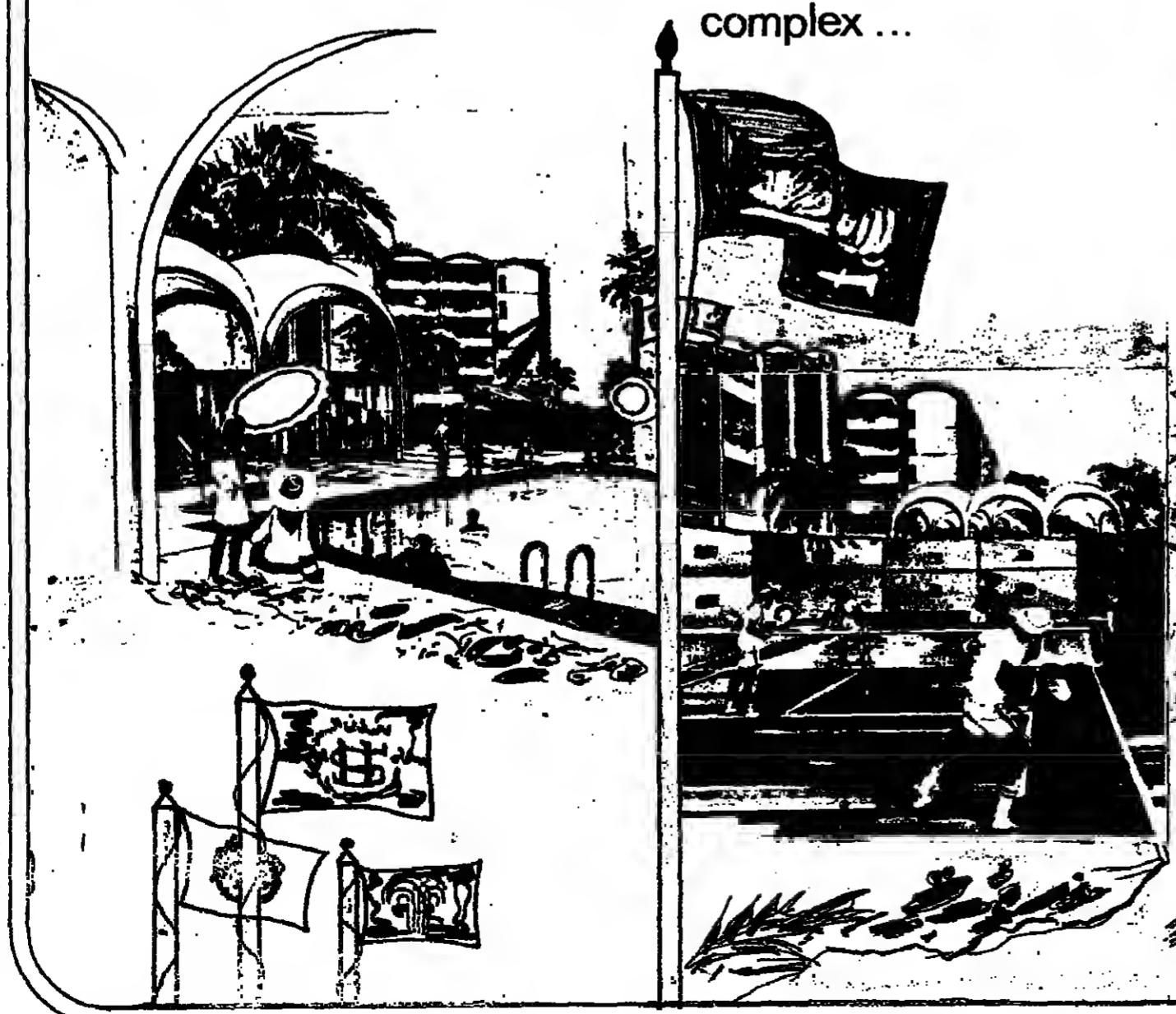
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Weapons list well received in U.S., Egypt official says

CAIRO, Feb. 23 (AP) — The United States has shown "unprecedented understanding" of Egypt's arms request, a senior government official says.

In a statement to "Al-Ahram" newspaper Thursday, the unidentified official also said the American position would have a "very important effect" on a new five-year program for modernizing the army's equipment.

He said the military leadership has finished drawing up the plan, which includes "diverse" equipment.

He also said that after the signing of a peace agreement with Israel the Egyptian army would "witness important changes in weaponry."

The 500,000-strong Egyptian

Army is largely Soviet-equipped and President Anwar Sadat has reportedly told the United States that Egypt is ready to play a bigger security role in the region if Washington sells arms to his country.

In Washington, United States officials decided that the

Pentagon would send a special survey team to Egypt in April to assess weapons needs. The mission could be the first step in the move to equip Egypt with modern American arms.

The impact on the Egyptian peace talks was not immediately clear.

Rabat's undeclared war puts strain on economy

RABAT, Feb. 23 (AP) — Morocco's undeclared but costly war with Algeria over the former Spanish Sahara is forcing Moroccans to tighten their belts more than at any time since the end of French colonial rule in 1956.

King Hassan last year introduced a rigorous austerity program to cut public spending and private imports. As a result, Morocco has been hit by a wave of strikes.

The cost is considerable. Western diplomats calculate the guerrilla war against the Algerian-sponsored Polisario guerrillas in the Sahara is now costing Morocco more than \$1 million per day, or about 12 per cent of the government's total operating budget.

The Polisario has proved unable to occupy and hold any part of the disputed wilderness, but the Moroccans remain exposed to hit-and-run raids by the guerrilla units based in Algeria.

Casualties among Morocco's 100,000-man armed forces are running at well over 1,000 per year.

Tokyo Muslims deny persecution

TOKYO, Feb. 23 (SPA) — The Japanese Islamic Center has denied news reports that Muslims are persecuted and forbidden from propagating Islam in Japan.

Japanese Muslims were not subjected to any pressure by the government, and they performed their religious rites unimpeded, the center said.

According to a report by the Pan Arab News Agency (PANA), published by "Arab News" Feb. 22, Japanese Muslim doctors at the Japan Islamic Medical Institute were forced to resign. It said that the Muslim World League was to send an official delegation to Tokyo to study recent allegations concerning the Muslim persecution in Japan.

PANA had said, however, that Japanese Foreign Minister Sumao Sooda had denied depriving Japanese Muslims of their rights.



TEHRAN: Ayatollah Khomeini greets supporters at his headquarters in a girls' school in south-eastern Tehran. (See story page one).

On territorial claims

Somalia warned by Moi

NAIROBI, Feb. 23 (R) — Kenyan President Daniel Arap Moi has sounded a clear warning to neighboring Somalia to abandon any claims it may harbor on parts of north-east Kenya.

The president, who returned from a visit to the remote, semi-desert region Thursday night, told a meeting in the provincial capital, Garissa, "the soil on which we are standing is under my rule. It is my country and you are my people. I shall not allow anybody to take even a iota of it."

Moi was making the first visit by a Kenyan president to the region, which is populated almost exclusively by ethnic Somali nomads.

The province has been the target of historic claims by Somalia, which condemns the colonial partition of the Somali

nation which leaves large numbers of Somalis living in Kenya and south-east Ethiopia.

In his speech, reported by the Kenyan News Agency, Moi said the government was implementing major educational, road-building and social schemes in the area.

Carter orders cut in aid to Afghanistan

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (R) — President Carter has ordered big cuts in American economic aid to Afghanistan after the kidnap and murder of his ambassador in Kabul.

The White House announced Thursday that the president had also decided to cancel plans for a \$500,000 military training program for Afghans.

White House Press Secretary Jody Powell said the decision was prompted by Kabul's handling of the murder of ambassador Adolph Dubs last week and by the poor human rights record of the pro-Moscow regime which seized power 10 months ago.

Dubs, 58, was killed in cross fire when Afghan police, ignoring American appeals for restraint, stormed a hotel room to free him from kidnappers.

He had been snatched on his way to his embassy.

Powell said the American action arose out of a review of America's relations with Afghanistan launched after the military coup in Kabul last April.

Afghanistan had been due to receive \$14.9 million in American aid this year and \$16.9 million next year.

Most of next year's aid was intended for agriculture, rural development and nutrition. Officials could not say immediately how much aid would be cut, but the figure would be substantial.

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To save Rhodesia more bloodshed

Pretoria said urging Smith to quit early

LONDON, Feb. 23 (AP) — South Africa has quietly been suggesting to Rhodesia's Ian Smith that his early withdrawal from the premiership could en-

hance the fading prospects of a negotiated settlement.

The unpublicized move by Prime Minister P.W. Botha has come to the notice of American

and British authorities who, in disclosing it, insisted on anonymity.

South African diplomats in London declined comment on

the report. They recalled repeated disavowals by their leaders that South Africa ever "pressures" the Smith government.

It's an open secret, however, that in some ways Botha and his predecessor, John Vorster regard Rhodesia's crisis — and its reliance on South African support — as a political burden. The fiercer the fighting becomes in the territory of their northern neighbor the more South Africa becomes the focus of international attention and pressure.

Smith himself has often discussed the circumstance under which he would consider pulling out of the premiership. In his latest pronouncement on the subject he told an interviewer Jan. 31 he would think about staying on in government if Rhodesia's minority whites wanted him to. But if there were to be a deal exchanging recognition for his retirement, he "would happily join in that contract," he said.

The hard fact seems to be that Front leaders Joshua Nkomo and Robert Mugabe, backed by Zambian, Tanzanian and Mozambique presidents Kenneth Kaunda, Julius Nyerere and Samora Machel, simply refuse to face Smith over a peace table. The withdrawal of Smith — Washington and London now accept — would provide about the only slender chance of a breakthrough.

The meaning of Smith's statement seemed plain. He would be ready to trade his own withdrawal for something he would consider a worthwhile concession to his cause.

The Americans and British, picking up the message from Rhodesia's black neighbors and the co-leaders of the Patriotic Front of black guerrillas, accept that they have reached a dead end in their efforts to set up conditions for a politically negotiated end of the escalating guerrilla war.

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REFUGEES: A Cambodian mother with her children at a refugee camp in Tapra district. They and 400 other refugees fled across the frontier into this Thai border district 300 kilometers east of Bangkok early Sunday. (AP photo)

24-hour walkout

U.K. bureaucrats join strikers

LONDON, Feb. 23 (AP) — Britain's strike wave spread to the Civil Service Friday when two unions with 331,800 members between them called a 24-hour stoppage over a pay claim.

The strike by the Civil and Public Services Association and the Society of Civil and Public Servants halted customs searches, immobilized Defense Ministry installations, slowed air traffic and interrupted the process of government.

Trans-Atlantic travel was expected to be badly hit, and many other flights delayed as much as two hours.

Flights were cancelled to the United States, Canada and the Middle East, although British Airways flights to Jeddah were not affected.

Customs officers at Heathrow Airport were first out. They quit at midnight Thursday and incoming travellers strolled through terminals free of baggage searches.

A Customs and Excise offi-

cial said, "a preventive presence against smugglers will be maintained," but he withheld details.

The strike was due to end at midnight Friday.

Seven other unions with more than one million Civil Service members are not striking.

British defense spending to rise over two years

LONDON, Feb. 23 (R) — Britain has announced it will increase its spending on defense over the next two years to counter growing Soviet military strength and to stop officers and men leaving the armed forces because of poor pay.

Defense Secretary Fred Maitly said the 1979-80 defense estimates would increase by three per cent in real terms, and the government planned a further three per cent increase for 1980-81.

He told a press conference: "There is no doubt that, as seen through Western eyes, the growth in quantity and quality

of the Soviet armed forces extended their capabilities beyond what could be considered necessary for purely defensive purposes."

"The Soviet Union continues to devote about 11-13 per cent of its GNP (gross national product) to defense and there is no sign of the Soviet government reducing its military expenditure; the country has recently asked the Warsaw Pact countries to increase defense budgets."

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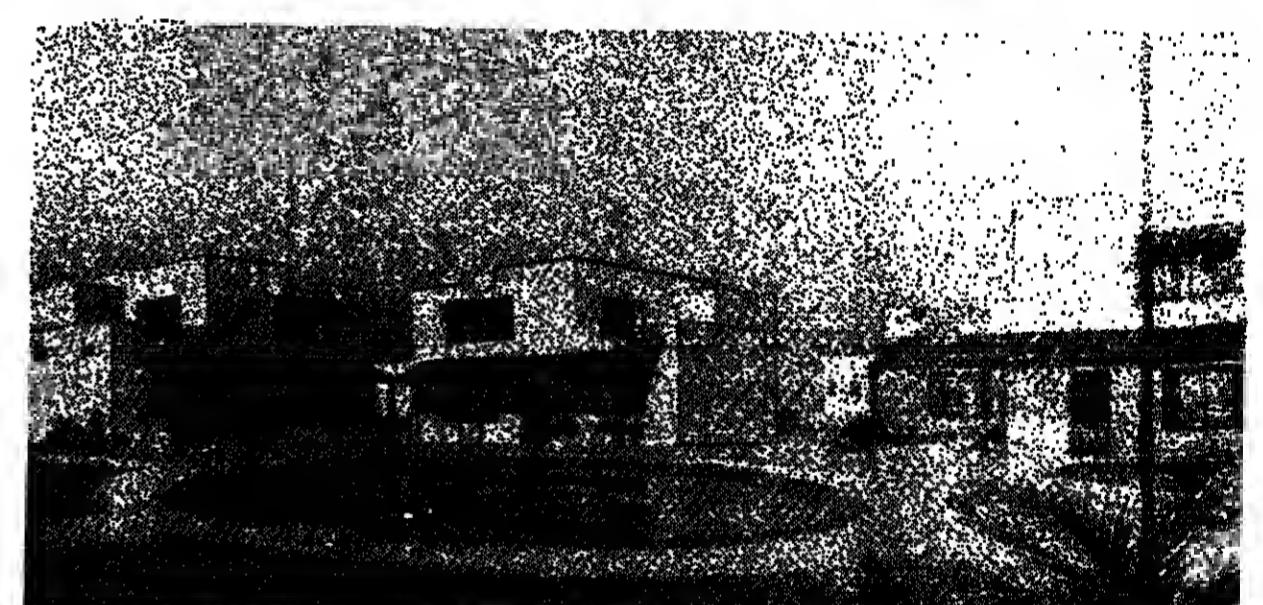
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CAMP DAVID II

The second round of the Camp David talks is not expected to bring about the breakthrough that the three parties are looking for. At least not what Egypt and the United States want. Israel knows exactly what it wants and is not going to budge unless the United States brings enormous pressure to bear on it, which is highly unlikely. Egypt is now committed to a clear-cut link between a separate peace treaty with Israel and the future status of the West Bank, not to mention Jerusalem and the Golan Heights and now the Israeli occupation of parts of southern Lebanon.

Israel is adamant in maintaining its occupation of the Arab territories. After all, this was the whole idea behind the 1967 war in which Israel captured the three coveted territories around it—the Golan in Syria, Sinai and Gaza in Egypt and the West Bank including Jerusalem.

But as the situation stands, the American government is in no position to risk an all-out conflict with Israel, not while President Carter is hoping to be re-elected in 1980. It is well known that the American government and some in Congress are scarcely convinced that the Camp David accords are the panacea for the region's ills. They have been rejected by all the other Arab states, in varying degrees of vehemence. Most of Carter's advisors, and nearly all Middle Eastern specialists at the State Department appear unconvinced that even if the accords are signed, there will be peace once more in the Middle East. Only a comprehensive peace formula, acceptable to the key Arab states and the PLO will stand a chance of implementation assuming that Israel will accept it, sign it and abide by it.

Thus the prospects of a Camp David breakthrough are bleak, and they may go on to a third and fourth round without achieving anything of substance. Unless the basics of the Middle East issue are tackled and solved, no amount of bilateral negotiations under the auspices of the U.S. will measurably advance the cause of peace in the region.

A COURT INQUIRY

When there is so much dictatorship around the world, summary trials and sham courts to carry out the wishes of those in power, the Indian courts look rather bizarre in the uniqueness of their independence, fairness and fearless behavior. This was exemplified recently by a decision of the Chief Justice of India, Chandrachud to investigate corruption charges against the family members of Prime Minister Morarji Desai, notably his controversial son Kantilal. Home Minister H.M. Patel told the Raja Sabha, the upper house which is fashioned after the House of Lords in the U.K., that the government will order an official inquiry if the chief justice decides there are grounds for criminal proceedings. The family of Deputy Prime Minister Charan Singh are also to be investigated for corruption charges.

But, unfortunately, the inquiry is to be confined to the period which followed Desai's premiership, that is since March 1977 although reports and rumors of his son's misdemeanors have been rampant for many years. Kantilal is 52 and his father has been in public service for over 50 years. But this is up to the Indian courts to decide. Suffice it to say that the Indian judiciary remains one of the country's greatest resources in addition to its democratic traditions such as parliament and press. Indians, rich and poor, can be confident that the law exists to protect and uphold the principles by which they have chosen to live, work and be governed.

Granted, there is widespread corruption in public life and words like black money are standard phrases in the business jargon of the country. Abuse of power is as common a practice in India as in other countries. But the fact that even the prime minister's son can be taken to court and investigated for corruption publicly and possibly found guilty and punished, is sufficient to reassure the mass of population that no one will be free from retribution if convicted.

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"Al-Medina" said that the opening of the Alupco aluminum plant in Dammam by King Khalid last week was a landmark in the long march to industrialization.

Oil was not everlasting, and even if it were it should not be used to cover idleness, able as it is to generate enough money to make hard work unnecessary for everyone.

The government knew that, and had gone all out to stimulate industrial development. The paper quoted Industry and Electricity Minister Dr. Ghazi Al-Saifi as saying the plant will be part of a large and integrated aluminum production system based on the Bahrain smelter.

"Okaz" said the recent visit and talks of the ruler of

Bahrain with King Khalid were important in view of events in the region. It drew attention to communist plotting to make trouble and advance its sinister aims.

It called for regular consultations among leaders in the region. "They shared the same fate and faced the same dangers from an Israel planning to occupy Arab lands from the Nile to the Euphrates," it said.

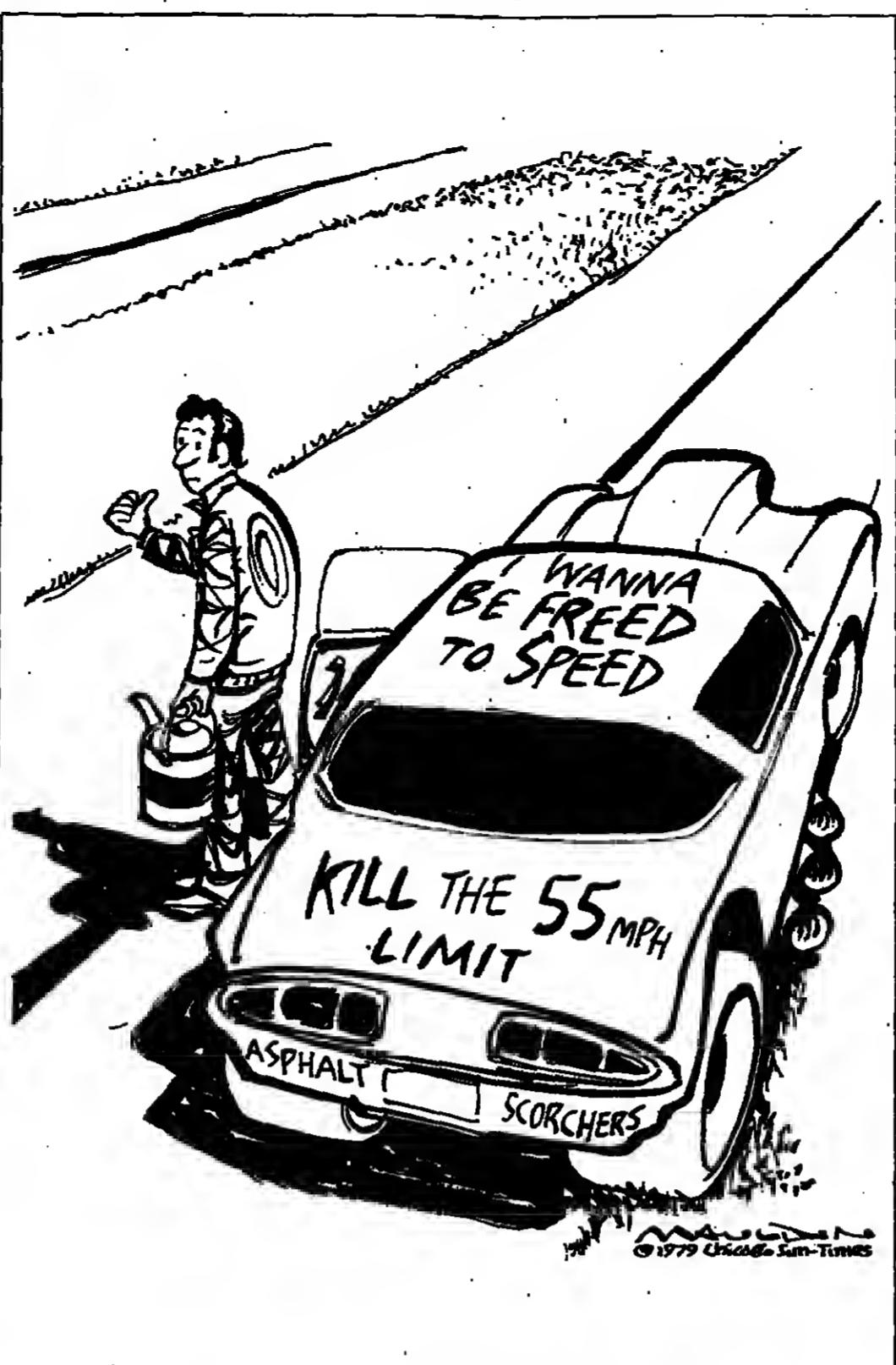
Of all the projects of the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs, "Okaz" thought the most attractive was that of creating greenery in and around big cities. The idea was to plant trees and build sand barriers, as well as to provide parks and gardens for cities. So important were recrea-

tion and amusement abroad, that whenever a new school or factory was opened anywhere in the world, a garden was planned with it.

A commentator in "Al-Bilad" said that by staying behind, Israeli Defense Minister Ezer Weizman indicates that Israel intends to do something in South Lebanon. Weizman had been in the area for some weeks, apparently planning an attack after the anticipated failure of the second Camp David talks between Egypt and Israel.

Their aim was at every opportunity to consolidate their occupation of Palestine and other Arab territories.

"Al-Jazeerah" expects the talks between the Egyptian and Israeli foreign ministers at Camp David to fail completely, not so much because of conflicting objectives and the failure of American mediation in the past, but on the long-term objectives of the Israelis. "We have known the Zionists too long to be duped by them any more, and they are not going to change overnight," the paper said. They were not interested in peace since their entire existence is based on looting what belongs to others.



Energy crunch ahead

By Ann Pelham
WASHINGTON—

The shrinking supply of world oil is almost certain to be felt by most Americans in the next few months.

Gasoline and fuel oil will cost more if Iran doesn't restore production by summer, and experts predict that's doubtful.

Even before Iranian oil stopped flowing, gasoline prices were expected to jump 9 to 12 cents a gallon by 1981.

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But the public has been skeptical of past calls for conservation. Without a drop in demand, policy-makers concede privately, mandatory conservation measures will probably be needed by summer.

Otherwise, there could be fuel shortages and higher home heating costs next winter.

That's because tight world supplies would force companies to borrow from inventories to meet the summer demand for

gasoline. Normally oil companies build up inventories during warm-weather months.

Looming in the background is the Carter administration's "last resort" weapon—gas rationing.

Nobody seems to want rationing. Administration officials fear the system would be unmanageable and take months.

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downtown parking restrictions, including control of spaces available in private lots;

"Limits on thermostats in commercial and public buildings;

"Controls on some lighted advertisements.

Iran, once the world's second leading oil exporter, supplied 10 per cent of the oil used by non-communist countries, from 5 million to 5.5 million barrels a day.

Part of that loss is being made up by increased production from other suppliers, such as Saudi Arabia. But the rest of the oil demand is being met by borrowing from inventories, a practice that will eventually squeeze future supplies.

Government energy officials say loss of Iranian oil by itself won't cause major problems in the United States. But they acknowledge that trouble lies ahead if other producing nations cut back output and the United States is required under existing international agreements to share its oil supply with friendly nations, such as Japan, hard hit by the Iranian oil cutoff.

For the moment, however, officials are mostly concerned that the public will in effect, panic. The public can create a crisis almost overnight," said Deputy Energy Secretary John F. O'Leary, if

people begin such practices as filling up gas tanks that are only half empty. — (Congressional Quarterly)

From Nine to Twelve

By Karl Kaiser

(The writer is director of the research institute of the German Institute for Foreign Affairs.)

BONN—

Business is not as usual in the European community. The appearance of sometimes tumultuous disagreements and setbacks detracts from important changes in the internal character of the community that have been under way for some time.

The first is the development toward a European monetary system.

Once it is implemented, its impact on the community will be profound. In economic terms, the system intends to stabilize the exchange rates of the member currencies, to contribute to economic stability inter alia by creating a common European currency unit. But in political terms creates the first elements of economic and monetary union through its firm obligation to act and consult. It establishes a community based on solidarity for times of economic trouble by committing large resources to a common pool.

For those in the community wary of West German economic power, "commits German resources to Europe and integrates the existing West German mark zone into a European system where the smaller countries share in the management.

The European monetary system reflects political realities that may become more permanent in the future—a Franco-German leadership in the structure of the community. Together they carry the responsibility for its maintenance and development. The excellent relationship between President Valery Giscard d'Estaing and Chancellor Helmut Schmidt creates particularly favorable circumstances for such cooperation.

As an important political

consequence, the European monetary system forces the United States to look at and deal with the European community as a unit, and it obliges the community to increasingly act in unison in the crucial field of the international politics of money.

Obviously, to conduct

community affairs with 12 diverse members is more difficult and messy than with six. But shouldering the new responsibility, the community is continued vitality and capacity to act in the interest of the members and the whole. — (NYT)

Tanzania struggles with aid

By David Ottaway
DAR ES SALAAM—

As foreign assistance pours into Tanzania in ever-increasing amounts, the debate over the merits of President Julius Nyerere's controversial rural-based socialist approach toward economic development goes on unresolved.

No African government has tried harder to lift its rural population out of poverty en masse, close the enormous gap between rich and poor and direct the main thrust of its development efforts to the destitute countryside.

In fact, it is the near-universal assessment of foreign aid experts that Tanzania has done just about everything the World Bank or the U.S. Congress could expect of one of the world's 25 least-developed nations to help the poorest of the rural poor.

Western donors heap praise upon President Nyerere for his commitment, honesty and vision even if they do not support his idea of Ujamaa villages, the Tanzanian version of China's rural communes that have become the country's basic social and productive units.

Yet, many of his admirers remain troubled by the uneven results of the billion-dollar plus international investment in Tanzania over the past decade.

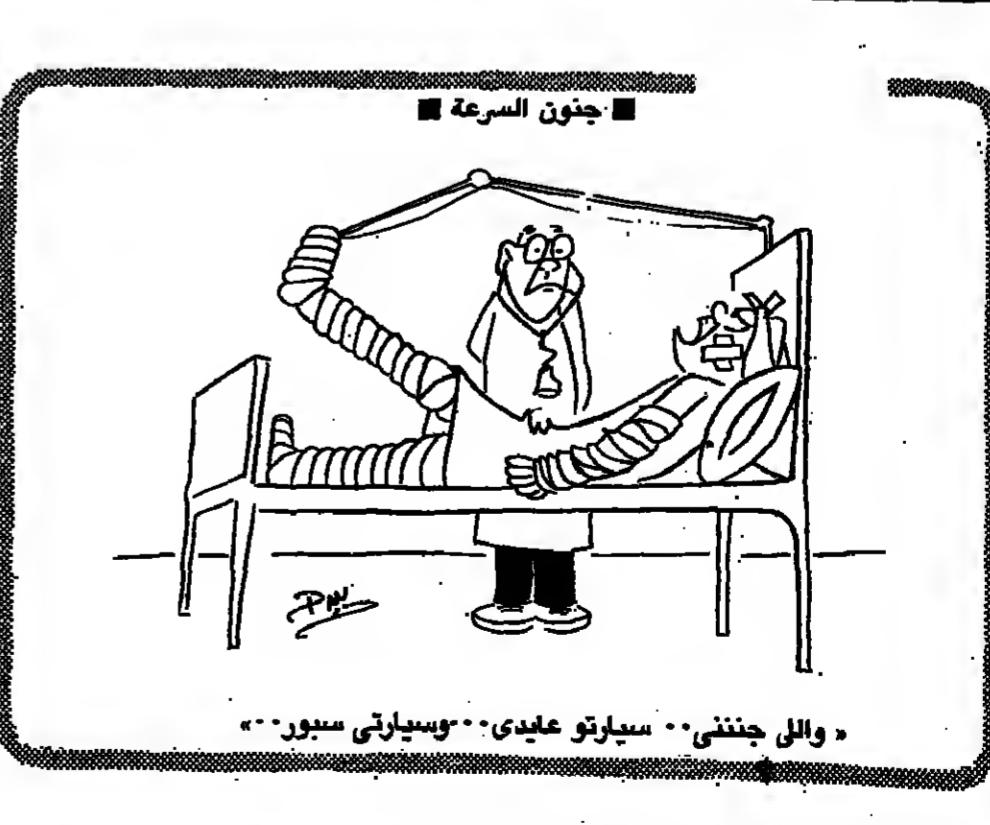
Ironically, while Nyerere made self-reliance a basic tenet of his concept of socialist development, Tanzania has come increasingly dependent on foreign assistance to point where Western and Tanzanian economists are wondering whether the nation can afford all the aid being offered.

Last year, Tanzania received between \$450 million and \$500 million in foreign aid—\$26-\$31 for every Tanzanian, the highest aid recipients in Africa. The World Bank loaned the country \$140 million the last fiscal year, more than any other African nation received.

Sweden has put Tanzania at the top of its aid list in Africa, providing \$70 million and \$80 million a year. Other Western countries, such as Germany, the United States and Canada, are now averaging \$20 million to \$40 million a year.

As a result, Tanzania is depending on foreign assistance to cover between 60 and 70 per cent of its current year development plan, according to one Canadian economist.

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The romance of India's Fatehpur Sikri

By Rosalind Ingrams

FATEHPUR SIKRI—India is full of deserted, romantic palaces, but of them all, Fatehpur Sikri is one of the most romantic. It was built in the sixteenth century by Akbar, the great Moghul Emperor. It was the Moghuls who introduced Islam to India. No expense was spared on the construction and adornment of the new city, but after only 14 years of occupation it was abandoned. Hardly damaged by the centuries of disuse, Fatehpur Sikri today stands ghostly along its low hilltop.

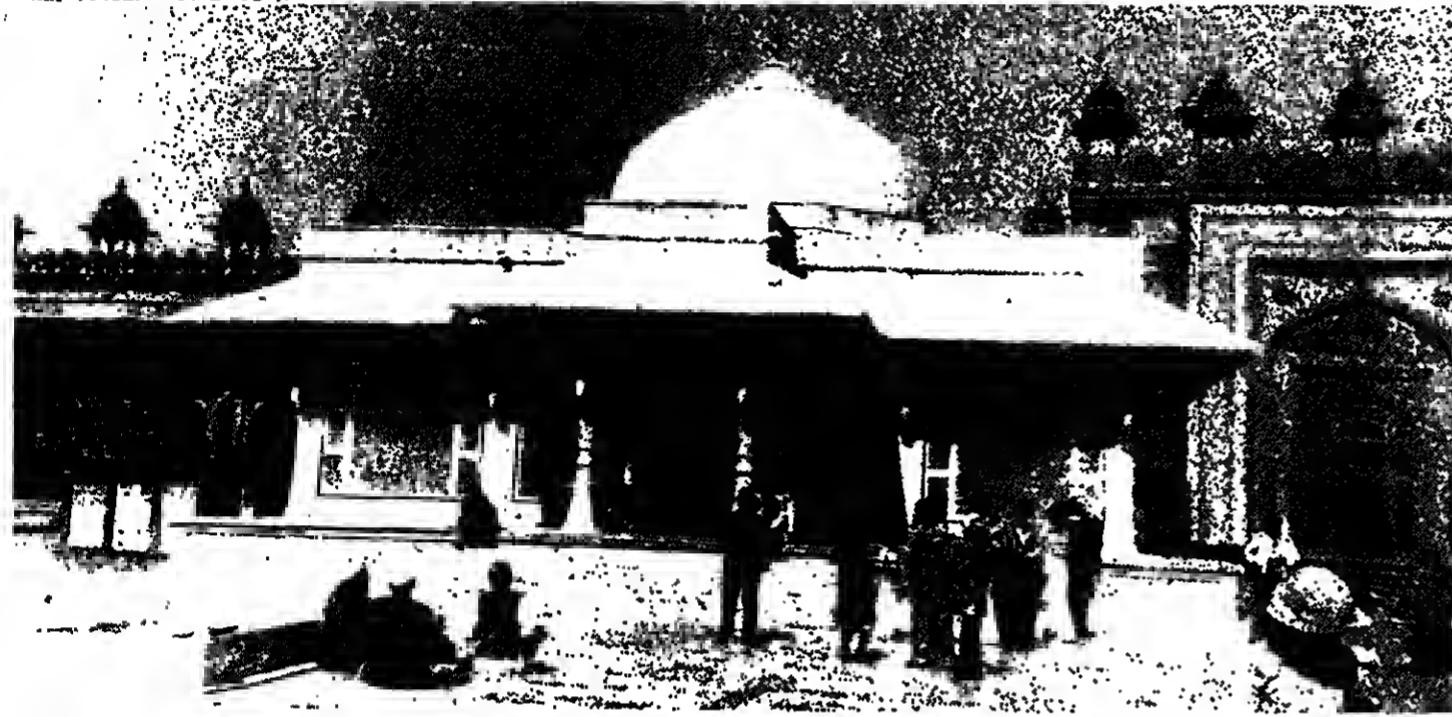
The story goes that Akbar was much disturbed by his failure to produce an heir. Although the Emperor was only 26 years old, there was no guarantee of continuity for royal houses in those uncertain times other than a strong healthy son.

There lived in the village of Sikri, some 95 kilometers southwest of Agra, a certain holy man. He was known as Sheikh Salim, and Akbar visited him for prayers and guidance on the matter of a son. Sheikh Salim prophesied that Akbar would be granted



Reading the Holy Quran at Sheikh Salim's tomb

three healthy sons, a prophecy which was indeed fulfilled: that a new palace and town be built at Sikri, henceforth renamed Fatehpur (victory) the holy man by coming to Sikri.



The tomb of Sheikh Salim at Fatehpur Sikri

In 1571 the hundreds of skilled craftsmen attendant upon Akbar's household were set to work. They produced a great mosque and the elaborate series of courtyards and buildings which make up the extensive palace.

Nothing now remains of the outer town, but the palace comprised a small town within itself. Government offices were part of the structure. There were quarters for all sorts of officials, and there were also workshops for the royal painters. The illuminations and miniatures produced for the Moghul rulers are rightly famous: it was at Fatehpur Sikri that an organized team of painters was first brought together.

It was here too that Akbar first commissioned detailed records to be kept, not only of important deeds and conquests and laws, but also of the humblest and most trivial business of the palace. Historians have been delighted to learn of the Regulations for oiling Camels and injecting Oil into their nostrils. Or, in a record of all

the thousands of inhabitants of the household, this vivid description of a holy man—who has for 30 years in an unnoticed corner been gathering happiness on an old mat."

Akbar also held his famous religious disputations at Fatehpur Sikri. He would invite representatives of different religious persuasions, including even Portuguese Jesuits from Goa, to sit and dispute in his presence. This was a gesture of great imagination, but the Emperor was distressed to find that the sessions proved to be all too literally disputes, rather than calm and lofty discussions.

But while all this teeming palace life can now only be brought to life by the imagination, there continues today at Fatehpur Sikri a very real life, and that is the life of the mosque.

The great Friday Mosque is, like the palace which it adjoins, built of the local red sandstone. This stone is incidentally in some ways an unfortunate material, at least to European eyes. The effect it produces is all too like that of dark red brick, synonymous with a certain heavy style of nineteenth century architecture. However, the noble and vast space of the inner courtyard produces a lightening effect, while the central ablutions pool, with a great shady tree beside, further adorns the site.

The jewel of the mosque is the carved white marble tomb of the holy Sheikh Salim Chishti. This lovely building, whose white marble facing and decoration were contributed by Akbar's grandson, Shah Jahan, stands free within the courtyard. A constant stream of pilgrims flows in and out of it. A trio of drummers-singers was established there at the time of this writer's visit. Under the deep eaves a series of fine marble fretwork screens surrounds the tomb within the building. The tomb itself is yellow and shiny by the touch of the faithful fingers of 400 years. Flowers are scattered on it and the surrounding mar-

ble floor. Mullahs reading the Holy Quran are in constant attendance.

The pilgrims are of all kinds.

but it is said that the greater part of them are barren women praying to conceive children. Sheikh Salim's reputation is evidently as strong as ever.

was in his lifetime, and a reason d'être for the creation of Fatehpur Sikri, retained power, even though the itself enjoyed so brief a

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The streetcars of San Francisco

By William Endicott

SAN FRANCISCO.

Ever since horse-drawn trolleys crisscrossed the streets of San Francisco in the 1850s, this city has enjoyed a love affair with streetcars.

Before World War II, the entire city was covered by a network of streetcar lines.

So when other major cities, such as Los Angeles, began in the post-war period to abandon streetcars in favor of diesel-powered buses and private automobiles, San Francisco stubbornly clung to its colorful, electrically powered trolleys.

Pressure from planners who said streetcars were inflexible for a mushrooming population made some inroads and many of the city's streetcar lines sub-

sequently were converted to bus routes.

But a basic streetcar network was retained — five lines converging onto one of the country's best known thoroughfares — Market Street, where the sight of streetcars rumbling to and from the Ferry Building became almost as much as part of the San Francisco scene as Chinatown and the Golden Gate Bridge.

Now, however, that is about to change. The San Francisco streetcar system is soon to enter the space age, with sleek — and expensive — light rail vehicles that can zip along at speeds up to 50 mph in a way that runs the length of Market Street from the Embarcadero to Twin Peaks.

Tests made on the cars in Boston, the only other city that has bought them, showed they have a tendency to derail and have unreliable doors and costly maintenance and pollution problems — all bugs that San Francisco officials have been assured are being worked out.

San Francisco has taken delivery on seven of the 100 cars it has on order and hopes to begin operations on at least one of the city's five lines by mid-summer. But Rino Bei, manager of the municipal railways transit improvement program, is making no promises.

"I'm not going to give you a snow job and say everything's going to be great," he said. "We've still got some things to iron out."

One of the major problems Bei and his colleagues must deal with is a public relations one.

Recent reports here indicate that the new cars will run less frequently than the old ones because of turnaround problems at the foot of Market Street, which, in turn, might necessitate another excavation of Lower Market Street to build a loop. The estimated cost is more than \$20 million.

And that's not a welcome prospect for San Franciscans who for years contended with a ripped-up Market Street while the BART (Bay Area Rapid Transit) system was under construction.

It actually was BART, which operates trains through a transbay tube from Oakland into the city, that built the two-level subway under Market, double decking it so streetcars could one day use the upper level and BART trains the lower.

Bei said the Lower Market streetcar loop was not built initially because the city did not have the money for it and

eventually, the San Francisco Municipal Railway will replace all 115 of its existing, and aging, streetcars with the smart new cars at a cost of \$36 million — if nothing else goes wrong.

But it has been more than six years since the first design contracts for the system were awarded and timetables for implementing service have been set back time and time again for various reasons, not the least of which have been problems with the new cars. They are manufactured by the Boeing-Vertol Co. of Philadelphia.

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"This is a beautiful city and people who live here enjoy the sights of the city," he said. "A part of their commute is linking to San Francisco."

Klebold, who heads a citizen's advisory panel to the Board of Supervisors on transit improvement, predicted that because of all the potential problems with the new cars and the subway, the system will be a mess and the only

BART opted on its own for two ends with crossover tracks.

That means outbound streetcars will have to wait for incoming cars to cross over before reversing directions, which will extend the average spacing between cars from a current 55 seconds to more than two minutes.

Streetcar tracks now swing around the block to Mission Street in front of the transbay bus terminal and back onto Market.

When San Francisco voters in 1969 approved a \$24 million bond issue for the beautification of Market Street, it was the beginning of the end for the old streetcar system. Implicit in that vote was a desire to move the streetcars underground.

A critic of the new system, travel agent Maurice H. Klebold, said he is a firm believer in exposing transit systems to the community, not hiding them underground.

Francisco, Boston, New Orleans, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Newark and El Paso, and the system in El Paso, is temporarily out of service.

Progress, however, will have its way, and 86-year-old James J. O'Brien, who retired as a streetcar conductor here in 1957 and recently took a test ride on one of the new cars, predicted that it's going to be great — the only thing is the seats are a little hard.

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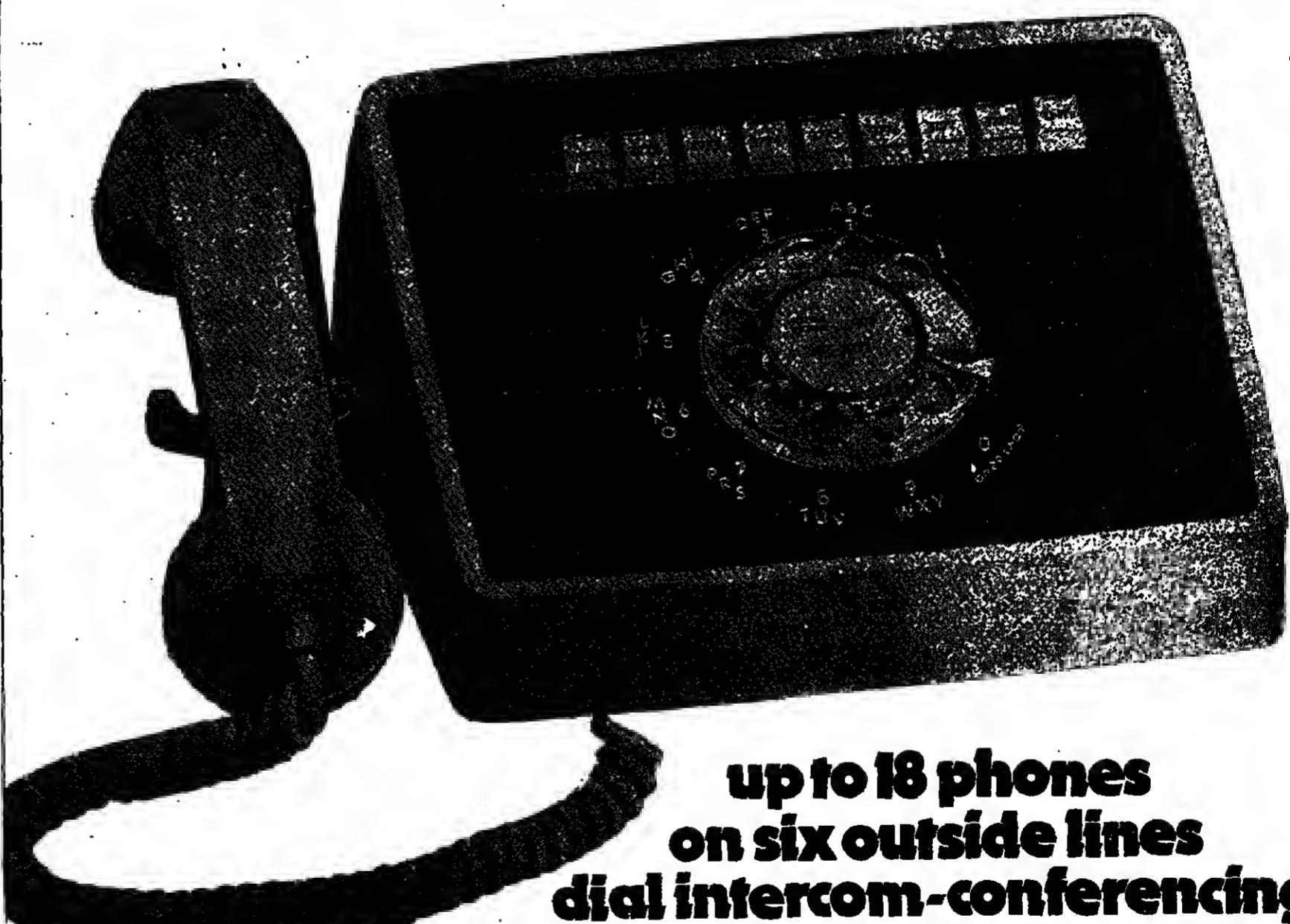
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Bari shuts in NZ with record 7 catches

AUCKLAND, Feb. 23 (Agencies) — Wasim Barri set a world wicketkeeping record of seven dismissals in a Test innings as Pakistan, one up in the series, restricted New Zealand to 229 for eight on the opening day of the third and

final Test here Friday.

All Barri's victims were caught and he has the chance Saturday to break Australian Wally Grout's 19-year-old record of eight dismissals in an innings which is the best achieved in any first-class match.

Grou set his record in a Sheffield Shield match for Queensland against Western Australia. Barri's seventh catch was to dismiss the star of the New Zealand innings Jeremy Coney who had led a fightback after they had slumped to 50 for 4.

When he left he had knocked up his finest Test score of 82 and brought his side's total to 209 for 8.

Coney's innings included one lowering six off Sikander over mid-wicket and 12 fours.

New Zealand batted after Pakistan captain Mushtaq Mohammad won the toss. A green pitch contributed to New Zealand's problems but some impudent stroke also played its part.

Scoreboard

New Zealand first innings:	
Wright c Barri b Sikander	32
Edgar c Barri b Imran	1
Howarth c Barri b Sarfraz	5
Reid c Barri b Imran	0
Burgess c Sarfraz b Sikander	3
Coney c Barri b Sarfraz	82
Lees c Barri b Sarfraz	25
Cairns c Barri b Asif	17
Hadlee not out	36
Troup not out	3
Extras	5
Total (eight wickets)	229



KING 'KEEPER: A characteristic appeal from Wasim Barri who dismissed a record seven batsmen in the New Zealand innings.

Golfer fined for murder attempt

JOHANNESBURG, Feb. 23 (R) — International golfer Bobby Locke was fined 120 rand (\$140) Friday and sentenced to three months in jail suspended for three years for attempting to murder a black man.

Locke, 61, pleaded not

guilty and said he opened fire in self-defense.

The black, Big Boy Ndlovu, had told the court he was shot in the shoulder as he left Locke's flat last year after an argument over payment for repairs. Locke said Ndlovu had not done the work and had

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Early-bird Wadkins takes 1-shot lead in L.A. Open

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 23 (AP) — Launy Wadkins said it was tough getting up at 5 a.m. for a dawn tee-off, but his luck of the draw held up as he fired a five-under-par 66 to take the first-round lead in the \$250,000 Glen Campbell Los Angeles Open golf tournament Thursday.

Wadkins, runner-up by a stroke in this tournament two years ago, finished one shot ahead of Lon Hinkle for the first 18 of 72 holes in quest of the \$45,000 first prize.

Hinkle, winner of the Bing Crosby Tournament this year, lost his chance to tie for the lead and score seven consecutive birdies when a four-foot putt failed to drop on the eighth hole.

Meanwhile in Hong Kong, Australian Graham Marsh surged into a two-stroke lead after the second round of the \$100,000 Hong Kong Open golf championship Friday with an eight-under-par score of 131.

Playing at the 6,165-yard par-69 Eden Course, Marsh extended his overnight lead to two strokes when he posted an impressive 65.

Marsh was a regular performer on this first leg of the Asian circuit before he joined the American tour three years ago. He is still hunting for his first Hong Kong title.

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Parkes becomes 1st \$1m goalie

LONDON, Feb. 23 (R) — Phil Parkes became the most expensive goalkeeper in British soccer here Thursday when he was transferred from English League First Division club Queen's Park Rangers to Second Division West Ham for a fee of about 500,000 pounds (\$1 million).

The fee was nearly double the record figure Nottingham Forest paid Stoke for goalkeeper Peter Shilton two years ago. It was also the second highest deal between two British clubs, beaten only by the one million pounds (\$2 million) move by Trevor Francis from Birmingham to Forest earlier this month.

Parkes, 27, cost 15,000 pounds (\$30,000) when he moved from Walsall nine years ago. Since then he has made 406 appearances for Queen's Park Rangers and earned one full England international cap, against Portugal in 1974.

West Ham was relegated from the First Division last season but is now fourth in the promotion chase with games in hand over the teams above.

Parkes is expected to make his debut in the home match against Oldham on Saturday.

Yugoslav John Mihalek, in another move Thursday, Yugoslav Soccer International Bosco Jankovic, signed for English First Division club Middlesbrough in a \$100,000 pounds (\$200,000) transfer from Samajevo.



RECORD GOALIE: Phil Parkes, in action for QPR, stops a certain Arsenal goal at Highbury recently. Parkes made 406 appearances for Rangers before transferring Thursday to West Ham for about 500,000 pounds.

Thaw is cold comfort for Inverness

INVERNESS, Scotland, Feb. 23 (R) — The harsh Scots Highland winter relented Thursday and allowed the most elusive game in British soccer history to go ahead — at the 30th attempt.

The pitch was snowbound when Inverness Thistle's second round Scottish Cup tie against Falkirk was first scheduled on Jan. 6.

And it has been snowed in ever since. The clubs fixed a new date 29 times and 29 times local referee Alastair Kidd was forced to call it off.

Finally, thanks to a slight thaw and sheets of corrugated iron over the pitch, Kidd gave the game the go-ahead.

COACH DIES: Nereo Rocco, the Italian coach who died Tuesday in Trieste, Italy is set to play Holland in a friendly in Milan Saturday.



But for Thistle, a team of part-time professionals from the Highland League, it was not worth the wait. It lost 4-0.

UEFA suspends Mariner, Italy player from cup ties

BERNE, Feb. 23 (R) — England striker Paul Mariner and Italy's Giancarlo Pasinato are suspended for both legs of their clubs' European Cup winners' Cup quarterfinals next month, the European Football Union (UEFA) said here Thursday.

Mariner is banned from the Ipswich match against Barcelona of Spain and Pasinato cannot play for Internazionale.

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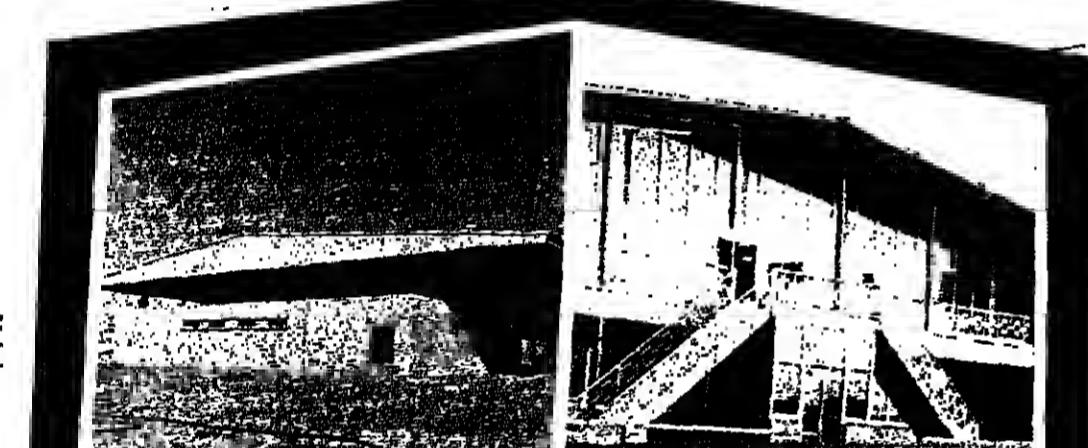
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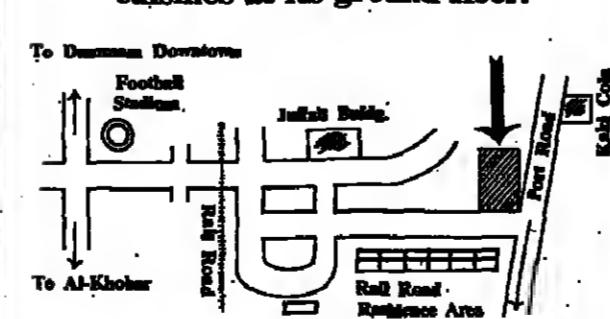
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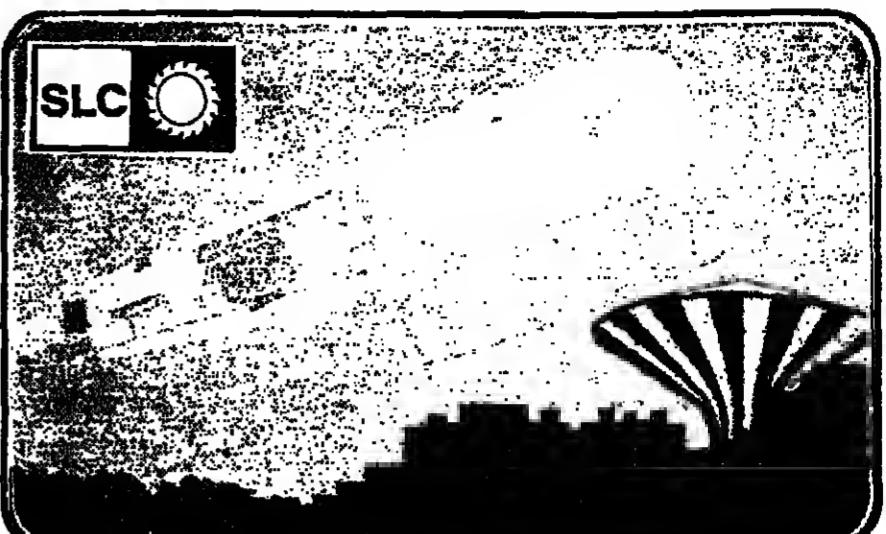
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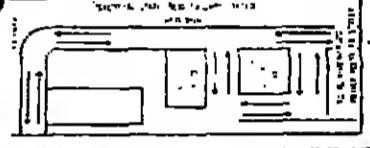
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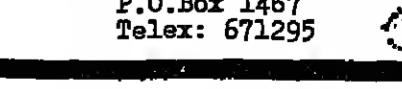
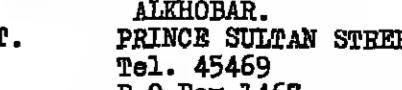
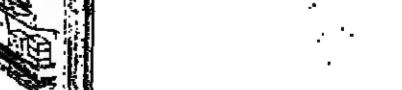
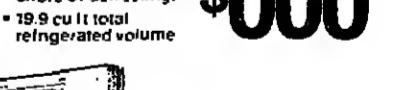
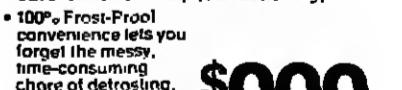
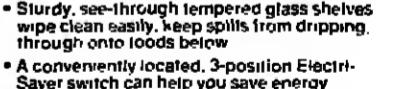
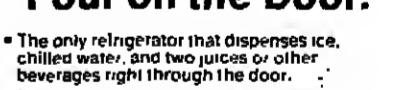
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AFL-CIO vows to foil Carter's wage-price plan

BAL HARBOUR, Florida, Feb. 23 (AP) — Charging that President Jimmy Carter has overstepped his authority, the United States' biggest labor organization, the AFL-CIO, has said that it will go to court to have Carter's voluntary wage-price guidelines declared illegal.

Federation President George Meany said Thursday the program is actually mandatory because of sanctions threatened against companies that do not comply with the guidelines. He said that contradicts a 1974 law prohibiting use of mandatory controls.

"I believe it's illegal, our lawyers believe it's illegal, employers believe it's illegal," Meany told reporters. Federation leaders are concluding their winter meeting here.

"The question is can the president of the United States...as one man, say to the people of the country, 'I'm going to order you to do something concerning your employer,'" said Meany, a harsh critic of Carter's voluntary anti-inflation program.

The AFL-CIO, which will be joined by several of its member unions in filing suits, will provide one of the first direct challenges to the guidelines program. A prior suit filed by an AFL-CIO union was dismissed on technical grounds without any ruling on the program's legality.

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Chinese blitz won't affect investment

HONG KONG, Feb. 23 (AP) — China's invasion of Vietnam has not dimmed the euphoria of Western businessmen hoping for a chunk of the China market — but some bankers admit to a temporary case of jitters.

Businessmen and bankers, who were surveyed informally, generally agreed that the conflict should not affect China's drive to become a major economic power by the year 2000, unless the Russians directly enter the picture.

This British colony appears generally untroubled though the volatile stock market has dropped about 15 points.

Businessmen and bankers say their offices are as crowded now as they were before last weekend's invasion with overseas traders clamoring to get into the huge China market with its estimated one billion potential customers.

The gold price in London rose more than \$3 in London from Wednesday's closing figure of \$250.125 an ounce. In Geneva, gold closed at \$252.50, up from Wednesday's \$250.875.

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Gold at record price of \$253.375 an ounce

LONDON, Feb. 23 (AP) — The price of gold hit an all-time closing quote for end-of-day business in London Tuesday of \$253.375 an ounce as investors ran for cover buying bullion amid continuing fighting between China and Vietnam and the dollar's persistent weakness.

The London quote was \$1.625 above the previous closing high of 251.75 reached in Geneva, Europe's main financial center Feb. 7 during a major upward surge in gold prices. Gold's record trading price was \$254.00 reached in London that day.

That meant the price of gold in London was higher-grade gold and the remainder lower-grade metal melted down from gold coins.

The gold sales are part of President Carter's plan, unveiled last Nov. 1, to defend the beleaguered dollar. Other elements include increased intervention in foreign exchange markets and sales of U.S. government securities for foreign currencies.

The gold sales help reduce the need for gold imports and cut the trade deficit, one of the major causes of the dollar's chronic weakness.

In Tokyo, the dollar opened higher against the yen Friday. It opened at 201.40 yen compared with Thursday's close of 201.25 yen. It further edged up to 201.50-70 yen.

U.S. energy chief warns of acute gasoline crisis

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP) — U.S. Energy Secretary James Schlesinger has warned that there will likely be a U.S. gasoline shortage this summer of "noticeable but not crippling" severity because of the loss of Iranian oil.

Schlesinger told a congressional hearing Thursday only a speedy resumption of Iranian oil exports can prevent a reduction in U.S. gasoline supplies of from 5 per cent to 8 per cent for the summer driving season.

The energy secretary also signaled the administration's intention to submit legislation next month to lift price controls from domestically produced crude oil in June in hopes of stimulating more U.S. production.

Schlesinger indicated the control measure would be accompanied by a proposed "excess profit tax" to make sure oil companies re-invest their added revenues into the search for new supplies.

On the Iranian situation, Schlesinger told the House of Representatives Budget Committee there still has been no

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Pound Sterling	6.75	6.77	6.73
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French F	0.79 (100)	79.25	78.75
Italian Lira (100)	0.40 (1000)	4.05	4.02
Lebanese Lira (100)		105.50	105.50
Syrian Lira (100)		80.25	86.65
Egyptian Pound		4.55	4.82
Kuwaiti Dinar		12.30	12.30
Jordanian Dinar		11.35	11.35
Emirates Dirham (100)		87.50	87.80
Qatari Riyal (100)		87.50	87.80
Bahraini Dinar		8.75	8.78
Iranian Riyal (100)		41.00	—
Iraqi Dinar		9.50	—
Yemeni Riyal (100)		74.10	—
Moroccan Dirham (100)		80.00	88.25
Indian Rupee (100)		—	41.10
Pakistani Rupee (100)		—	34.30
Gold kg		27,200	—
Silver kg bar		3,200	—
Japanese yen (100)	1.68	—	—
Canadian dollar	2.81	—	—
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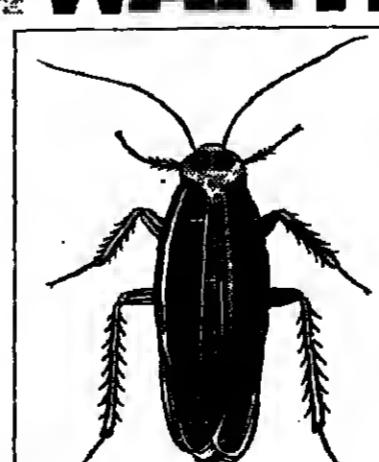
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CIA agents fired, reprimanded under new security regulations

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP) — Tighter security measures aimed at preventing leaks of classified materials have resulted in about a dozen recent dismissals or reprimands, the Central Intelligence Agency says. "Yes, there has been more security in the past six months or so," Public Affairs Officer Herbert Hetu said Thursday night. He acknowledged there were more frequent polygraph tests and a new policy of searching employees' briefcases and purses at the doors of the CIA's big Virginia headquarters near Washington.

Senate unit links ties with Peking to Taiwan safety

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP) — The Senate Foreign Relations Committee voted unanimous approval Thursday of a Taiwan security bill which declares that continued U.S. recognition of the Peking government depends upon a peaceful approach by China toward Taiwan.

The committee accepted compromise wording which declares that a threatened attack by the mainland against Taiwan would be "of grave concern to the United States."

The issue is expected to stir a fresh fight when the China bill reaches the floor of the Senate.

He indicated the new measures were at least partly connected to the case of William Kampf, a former CIA employee convicted in December of selling a top-secret satellite plan to the Soviet Union.

Hetu would not give details or exact numbers, but said fewer than 10 employees were reprimanded under new measures aimed at finding possible security violators.

The "New York Times" reported Friday that the measures also had contributed to a wave of voluntary departures at the CIA "amid renewed reports that morale there had plummeted."

Hetu agreed that retirements rose last year at the CIA and that as many as 200 middle and senior-level officials chose early retirement last month.

But he said the bunching of retirements in January occurred because of government rules making that timing financially advantageous and not that morale was low at CIA. "We're not going to close up shop," he said.

CIA retirements last year — last month's retirees are counted in 1978 figures under the federal computation system — totaled about 90 more than in 1977, an increase of 15 percent to 20 percent, he said. The agency keeps secret the total number of people it employs.

"I'm sure that among those 90 there were some who had some resentment about various things, but you'd have that anywhere," he said.

Hetu said the retirements "were not unexpected and were for good reasons," one of which was what he called the "end of a generation at CIA."

Volcano death toll may reach 200 in Indonesia

SEMARANG, Indonesia, Feb. 23 (Agencies) — Rescue workers wearing gas masks continued their search amid deadly fumes for more victims of a volcanic explosion which killed at least 182 people three days ago.

Officials said the toll might rise above 200 once the clouds of poison gas had lifted from the Dieng Range and roads blocked by lava reopened to allow intensive search operations.

The long-dormant Sinita crater, about 300 kilometers east of Jakarta, erupted last Tuesday.

Another old crater near the Sinita crater has begun to belch thick heavy black columns of smoke, officials said Friday.

But volcanologists said Sinita, about 11 kilometers from Sinita, was not dangerous.



BANGKOK WINTER: With temperatures hovering around 50 degrees (F), these Thai children cool off in one of the khlongs surrounding the city. (AP photo)

Just and democratic

KGB defends dissidents' prosecution

MOSCOW, Feb. 23 (R) — The head of the Soviet Union's KGB security police has said that prosecution of dissidents for anti-Soviet activities was just democratic and had the full approval of the Soviet people.

Speaking at an election meeting outside Moscow Thursday, Yuri Andropov said there was no social base for anti-Soviet activity in the country.

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hostile influence from abroad," he said in a speech reported by Tass.

"There are still renegades of every kind taking the path of malicious standers against Soviet reality and sometimes even of direct assistance to imperialist intelligence services," he said.

anti-state activities such as slander and agitation and propaganda are the offenses for which Soviet dissidents are most commonly convicted.

Andropov, speaking in the town of Stupino which nominated him candidate for election to the Supreme Soviet, said dissidents were depicted in the West as defending human rights.

"But Soviet police have never given and will never give anybody the right to act to the detriment of socialism, for whose triumph they gave up so many lives and put in so much work," Andropov said.

"Protecting society from such criminal actions is both just and democratic. This fully accords with the rights and freedoms of Soviet citizens, the interests of the society and

state," he added.

Andropov, a member of the Communist Party's ruling politburo, said the West was particularly worried by the fact "that these renegades are resolutely condemned by the entire Soviet people."

The Soviet Union maintains that such dissidents as the members of "Helsinki" Human Rights Monitoring Group were prosecuted on purely criminal and nonpolitical charges.

Korchnoi to play in South Africa

JOHANNESBURG, Feb. 23 (Agencies) — World chess title challenger Victor Korchnoi will be among four grandmasters taking part in a Grand Prix tournament in South Africa in May, tournament organizers said Friday.

Korchnoi, a Soviet exile now playing for Switzerland, was in the lead with 8.5 points after the 11th round of the third City of Sao Paulo International Chess Tournament which ended Thursday morning in Brazil.

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By Abdullah Jafri

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After a while, the lady adopted the same method. She used to write messages to him, too: "I'll be late at the clinic this evening," or "My mother will visit us today, I don't want more trouble, so, please go visit a friend."

The lady couldn't do it for long. After a week she gave up, but the husband's stubbornness and perseverance forced her to resume the game.

Even on special occasions he wrote messages.

The man had nerves of steel. But finally his wife exploded. She went to her husband's parents and brought them home with her for the final confrontation. He admitted to everybody that he did not love her and that he was pressuring this tactic to force her to sue for divorce. She agreed. But he did not readily give his consent. The suspense lasted for more than a month and both of them suffered because they still loved each other.

She finally went to his clinic and ordered him to divorce her immediately. He stared at her, took a piece of paper and wrote on it: "Did you ponder the matter for the whole month?" She shouted: "Why don't you say it aloud? Come on, speak!" For the first time she could hear his voice, the voice she had missed for so long, saying: "I still love you, but I have your consent."

Her reply, after all tension subsided: "Then write it down on paper!"

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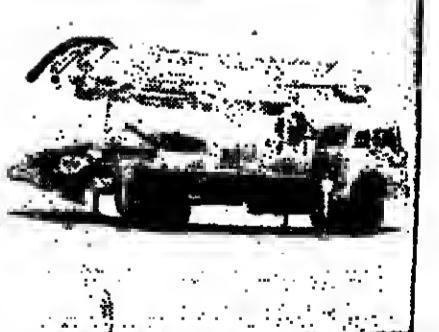
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Teheran

were ignored by the crowd as their chants were drowned out by blaring loudspeakers. The rally ended peacefully.

An army captain, meanwhile, was executed Friday in connection with an arson fire at a cinema in the oil city of Abadan last August in which 377 persons died, the national "Voice of the Revolution" radio reported.

It said Captain Munir Taheri was executed at the town of Rudar on the Caspian Sea coast after being captured there by militiamen, tried by an Islamic revolutionary court and sentenced to death.

Friday's national radio statement did not specify the role Captain Munir Taheri was

alleged to have played in causing the fire, but he was described as "an anti-revolutionary element" and an agent of the Shah's regime.

He was the ninth officer to be executed since Khomeini's forces seized power. The other eight were all generals, including the former chief of SAVAK Gen. Nematollah Nassiri.

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Carter

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